

The NEWSETTE . *Echoes from Bryan Hill*

Vol. VI

JULY, 1941

No. 10

What Should I Do?

The Question of Youth

Many young men and women to-day are faced with the problem of what to do to prepare for a future which, to state it mildly, is decidedly indefinite. At the same time all recognize the necessity of doing something—the danger in doing nothing. The most commonly given reasons for this lack of certainty are two: First, the present unsettled conditions in the world; and, second, the apparent nearness of the Lord's return.

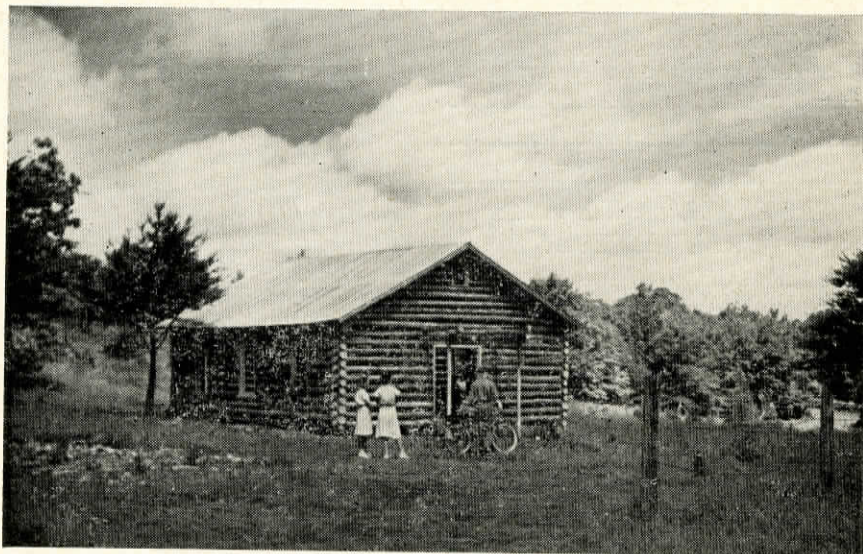
That unsettled conditions in the world do present a problem to young men and women is not to be doubted in the least. Why, we are asked, should one start his college work, only to be called to military service a year or two later? And it is a legitimate question and one for which there is, at least in a sense, scant reply. It is quite true that the present outlook is anything but bright. But it is not completely black and surely does not justify the laying aside of all plans and the delaying of all personal advancement and education.

Education, largely, is an investment from which one derives pleasure and good in comparison to the amount invested. Though the war may take the student out of school before he has completed his work, that which he has gained is his to use from that time on, and he is the better able to serve his country because of it.

The second problem, if it be a problem at all, seems to the writer to have been scripturally answered, in deed, if not in word. Granted that signs do point to the imminent return of the Lord, we yet do not know the time of His coming and are warned against setting dates. The writer believes it will not be long, recognizes that it may be today. But he is not convinced that we should lay down our tools and sit around awaiting the time.

Nearly two thousand years ago the message was "The coming of the Lord draweth nigh." Had Christian men and women of those times put aside their tools of preparation and sat waiting, what about today's world?

Continued on Page 4



Shown above is the newly constructed Hairpin Curve Chapel, located at Hairpin Curve, about seven miles from Dayton. Students plan to conduct regular services in this log structure, during the coming school year.

Summer Improvements Planned

During the past year many building and equipment improvements were made. Visitors and our friends of Rhea County and Dayton have all been most favorably impressed with the progress achieved. Students and staff-members enjoy the additional room, but more particularly the improved appearances and the comfort of better lighting and heating facilities.

Our friends are asking what further improvements we plan to make next year. We in turn have asked the Lord for wisdom and guidance in making plans. Because those already made have contributed so much to an orderly homelike atmosphere, we believe that we should go on with the painting and other improvements in interior decoration. Also, we believe that the time has come to make connection with the new sewage disposal plant provided the City of Dayton by the Tennessee Valley Authority as a part of the Chickamauga Lake construction. This disposal plant is located just off the campus property, and provision was made for a University connection when building the plant. Construction of a line to the disposal plant will be a permanent,

though rather costly, sanitary improvement for the safe-guarding of student health.

With so many young men students and prospective students being taken for compulsory military service we cannot be sure just what our enrollment for the coming year will be. Probably we will be crowded again, and it may be necessary to turn some away. We know that much additional room will be needed sooner or later, if the Lord tarries. So that we may be prepared for an emergency building program in the future, we should enclose the rest of the first or basement floor. To do so will effect an economy in heat and fuel. Also, we need more class-room space, which will be available if concrete floors are poured and interior tile walls constructed. Some of these rooms could be used temporarily for dormitory purposes.

As our friends pray and give, we hope that they will remember that a part of our gift income every year goes for permanent improvements. The larger the gift income, the larger is the percentage going for these improvements that will be a blessing for many years to come.

THE NEWSETTE

Grace Levensgood.....Editor
Christine Gordon.....Circulation Manager
Jesse Humbert.....Make-up Editor
Ruhe Rudd.....Reporter
Carl B. Zytowski.....Reporter
Mrs. L. E. Fish.....Alumni Reporter
D. W. Ryther.....Advisor

Published Monthly by
William Jennings Bryan University
Dayton, Tennessee

Entered as second-class matter, March
13, 1937, at the post office at Dayton,
Tennessee, under the Act of August 24
1912.

JULY, 1941

—God Above All—

ARE ALL SCIENTISTS UNBELIEVERS?

Since the high priest of science, Einstein, called on a group of "theologians" to deny the existence of a personal God, there seems to be an increasing inclination in some directions to accuse all men of science of being pantheists or atheists.

But all scientists are not unbelievers. There are many men who stand high in scientific circles, but who bow low in humility before God and before Christ the Son of God. One has only to scan the history of scientific discovery to see that many of the most honored discoverers were men of simple faith in a personal God. Here are but a few names—Sir Isaac Newton, Professor Dana, Michael Faraday, Lord Kelvin, Professor Louis Agassiz, Sir David Brewster, Professor Thomas Huxley, Louis Pasteur, and Jean Henri Fabre.

It was our own Samuel F. B. Morse of whom the following is told. He was asked one day by a gentleman who had frequently conversed with him in a New York library, "When making your experiments, did you ever come to a halt, without knowing what to do next?" "Oh, yes, many times," was the reply. "At such times, what did you then do?" "It is a matter of which the public knows nothing and I am telling you this in confidence. Whenever I could not see clearly, I prayed for more light."

Taken from the Moody Monthly, the article above calls once more forcibly to our minds the fact that many institutions of learning are misguiding our young men and women into channels of ignorance and unbelief. If our secular colleges and universities, and many of our so-called religious institutions, are desirous of providing an education for their students, why must they distort the facts, give

A MESSAGE TO THE ALUMNI

In thinking of the Bryan Alumni Association I am reminded of a very simple and familiar object, a wagon wheel. If we break the wheel down into component parts, we find the hub, the center around which the whole wheel is built; the spokes, which, held in position by the hub, carry the load, and at last the rim through which the wheel makes contact with the good earth on which it rolls.

Let us liken the central organization of the Alumni Association to the hub, the individual members to the spokes, and the daily lives of the members to the rim which makes direct contact with the world. We know that a rotten part in the rim, a rotten spoke or two, or a rotten hub will render the whole wheel unusable. It takes soundness and quality in the three parts to make a strong, usable wheel.

This is equally true of the Bryan University Alumni Association. Our organization must be sound and based on sound principles. It must be supported by sound membership of distinctive quality. This membership must be composed of individuals whose daily lives testify to the fact that they know God and have graduated from a university in which the Bible is recognized and taught unservedly as His Word.

Any organization is kept alive by and is recognized for what it does. Let this be a call to every member to begin now to make our Alumni Association a great factor for good in his or her own life and in the welfare of William Jennings Bryan University.

Logan Rector, *President*
Alumni Association.

only one side of the issue, and insist—without proof—that "no scientist of any note believes the Word of God"? Is it that they are afraid to face truth, to balance the wisdom of Christian scientists against their own atheistic teachers? Do they fear the outcome of an honest investigation?

The insidious method of presenting only one side of an argument under the guise of science is not education. It is Satanic teaching aimed at the destruction of the student's faith in Christ. Whether or not such a teaching, depriving the student, as it does, of both the knowledge and the salvation of the Lord, is a fair reward for attending one of the "great" institutions is, to say the very least, problematical.

Are You One?

Perhaps you are one of those who have said, "I'd like to help some needy student to finance his education." If so, may we call attention to a recent ruling of the Treasury Department at Washington, received by us in a letter which says, in part:

It is the opinion of this office that contributions made to your corporation, under the conditions specified in your letter (i.e., designated for the use of a particular student) . . . will constitute allowable deductions in the income tax returns of the donors in the manner and to the extent provided by section 23(o) and (q) of the Internal Revenue Code, provided they are made for the use of deserving or needy students of your university and there is no moral obligation on the part of the donor to provide for the education of such students.

We interpret this to mean that any person not a relative or otherwise morally obligated may make, directly to the University, gifts designated for the expenses of a particular student, and may allow the same as a deduction on his income tax report. Among NEWSETTE readers there may be many who can and will help a student in this fashion, making dollars do double duty.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR CLASSES PRESENT GIFT

The earnest endeavors of the combined junior and senior classes in their efforts to publish what has been voted by many the most attractive year book yet printed have reached beyond the attainment of this endeavor and have made it possible for the classes to give to the University a gift which will be both useful and ornamental.

Since Brother Sallman, of Chicago, so kindly presented to the school the large and most unusual pastel drawing of the head of Christ, it has been hoped that it would some day be possible to have it framed, that it might be protected from dust and also that it might be displayed to better advantage under a small portrait light.

It was, therefore, with considerable thanksgiving and pleasure that the membership of the junior and senior classes voted to devote the proceeds from the sale of the year-books to the buying of this gift for the school, the actual framing to be done sometime during the summer months.

Traveling Sam Starts on 25,000-mile Tour

Goes One Mile for Each Dollar

Here's good news! In the best of spirits Traveling Sam left Dayton, Tennessee, on June first for an all-state tour of 25,000 miles. But the success of his tour is going to depend upon the heartiness of your welcome and your good wishes as he travels. You see, his only income along the way will be "free-will" offerings. For each dollar of your offering to the regular gift income of the University, Traveling Sam will move forward along the highway one mile, and as he progresses from town to town, his sponsors will try to make his coming known so that his friends can "put on an extra plate," so to speak, and send him happily on his way, re-filled and re-fueled.

We do hope you are going to enjoy Traveling Sam's monthly tour reports. And don't forget that it is a long and winding road he must travel. Perhaps, at times he will need the services of "first-aid" stations or of the "tour-aid" bureaus—unless, of course, his friends keep his tank filled, his tires inflated, and his welcomes warm and encouraging.

Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you. (Jas. 4:8.)

June Gift Receipts

1	.....\$	3.50	60	.....	5.00
2	.....	5.00	61	.....	2.00
3	.....	5.00	62	.....	2.00
4	.....	2.00	63	.....	1.00
5	.....	5.00	64	.....	11.00
6	.....	5.00	65	.....	19.00
7	.....	5.00	66	.....	5.00
8	.....	1.00	67	.....	1.00
9	.....	.25	68	.....	5.00
10	.....	1.00	69	.....	25.00
11	.....	1.00	70	.....	2.00
12	.....	75.00	71	.....	1.00
13	.....	1.00	72	.....	.50
14	.....	.95	73	.....	10.00
15	.....	1.00	74	.....	5.00
16	.....	5.00	75	.....	1.00
17	.....	1.00	76	.....	50.00
18	.....	25.00	77	.....	5.00
19	.....	2.00	78	.....	2.00
20	.....	5.00	79	.....	5.00
21	.....	5.00	80	.....	8.00
22	.....	5.00	81	.....	2.00
23	.....	5.00	82	.....	2.00
24	.....	4.00	83	.....	3.00
25	.....	5.00	84	.....	2.00
26	.....	2.50	85	.....	50.00
27	.....	1.00	86	.....	5.00
28	.....	1.00	87	.....	25.00
29	.....	2.00	88	.....	3.00
30	.....	2.00	89	.....	10.00
31	.....	2.00	90	.....	1.00
32	.....	1.00	91	.....	5.00
33	.....	2.00	92	.....	5.50
34	.....	1.00	93	.....	5.00
35	.....	1.00	94	.....	10.61
36	.....	1.00	95	.....	8.13
37	.....	5.00	96	.....	11.17
38	.....	3.00	97	.....	12.28
39	.....	.50	98	.....	17.50
40	.....	5.00	99	.....	5.00
41	.....	10.00	100	.....	1.00
42	.....	2.00	101	.....	10.00
43	.....	4.02	102	.....	35.00
44	.....	5.00	103	.....	2.00
45	.....	25.00	104	.....	2.00
46	.....	5.00	105	.....	10.00
47	.....	25.00	106	.....	1.00
48	.....	5.00	107	.....	3.00
49	.....	2.00	108	.....	20.80
50	.....	2.00	109	.....	33.60
51	.....	.50	110	.....	15.00
52	.....	10.00	111	.....	12.00
53	.....	5.00	112	.....	17.21
54	.....	2.00	113	.....	10.00
55	.....	9.00	114	.....	5.00
56	.....	5.00	115	.....	20.46
57	.....	5.00	116	.....	10.00
58	.....	5.00			
59	.....	10.00			
			Total	....	\$896.98

Music Department Seeks Records

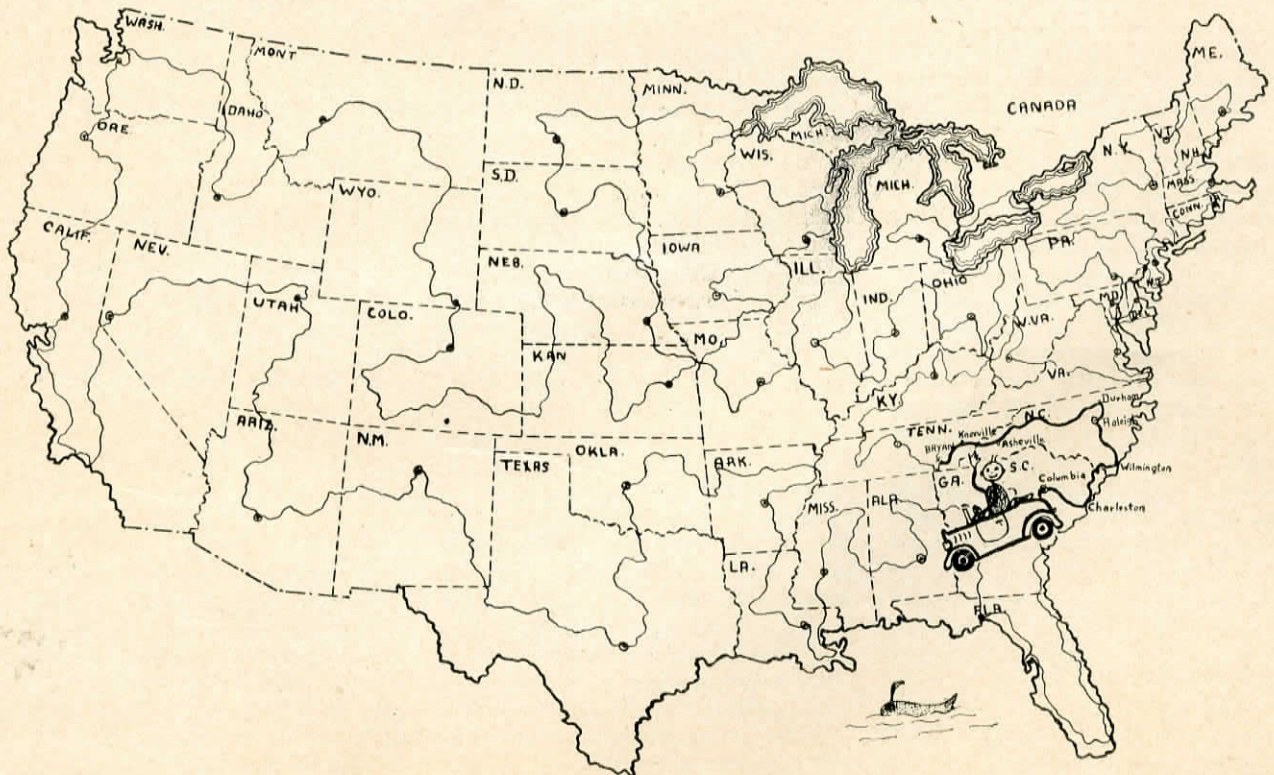
Symphonies, Operas are Desired

The University department of music is interested in securing records of classical and semi-classical numbers which are in good condition.

In order to augment its present small library of records satisfactory for use in the course in music appreciation, the University is seeking friends who have good records of classical selections—vocal or instrumental. Especially needed are the better-grade reproductions of symphonic works, operas, string quartets, and such compositions. A need for the lighter works, for hymns, and band numbers is not felt at present, though excerpts from famous oratorios would be more than welcomed.

If you have such records on hand and not being put to use, perhaps you can contribute them to the University, where they will be of definite help and value. Write to the office of the Dean, enclosing a list of what you have available. You can be sure your interest will be appreciated.

Rom. 3:20. "Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin."



SINGERS FIND BLESSING

All reports received from President and Mrs. Rudd and the Ladies' Quartette of the University Gospel Singers are to the effect that great blessing is being received by the group as they carry the Gospel message in word and song.

As He has always done, the Lord continues to provide for material and spiritual and physical needs on the way.

Having spent the first sixteen days in Ohio, during which time eighteen services were held, the quartette entered western Pennsylvania for six stops before leaving for four days in Canada and then on to the East. During the period of travel, June 16th through August 11th, there have already been scheduled 67 services in some 55 cities.

Prayers are requested on behalf of the testimony.

PICTURE BULLETIN READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

To write and talk about the University are two ways in which its interesting history and progress may be presented. But to bring before friends and the general public pictures of that progress, of the faculty, of students and student activities—to show, in pictorial story, life as it is on Bryan Hill is to give in one step both a more attractive and a more interesting report. This is the purpose of the bulletin now being mailed out.

Included among the thirty cuts are pictures of interesting scenes in and about Dayton, pictures of student organizations and activities, pictures of the self-help workers, of class work, and of a Christian Service Association outpost.

Prospective students and other interested friends should write for a copy of this attractive bulletin.

GREAT MEN ON THE GREATEST BOOK

Beginning with this issue of NEWS-ETTE, a series of statements from great men concerning the Word of God will be printed. It is suggested that they be cut out and pasted into a small notebook, that you may know that true greatness in the eyes of the world does not necessitate, as that world would have us believe, a rejection of God's Book.

John Greenleaf Whittier said:
We search the world for truth, we cull

*The good, the pure, the beautiful,
From graven stone and written scroll,
From the old flower-fields of the soul,
And, weary seekers for the best,
We come back laden from our quest,
To find that all the sages said
Is in the Book our mothers read.*

HIS WILL BE DONE

"His will be done," we say with sighs
and trembling,
Expecting trial, bitter loss, and
tears;
And then how doth He answer us
with blessings
In sweet rebuking of our faithless
fears.

God's will is peace and plenty, and
the power
To be and have the best that He
can give;
A mind to serve Him, and a heart to
love Him;
The faith to die with and the
strength to live.

It means for us all good, all grace, all
glory,
His kingdom coming and on earth
begun.
Why should we fear to say: "His
will—His righteous,
His tender, loving, joyous will—be
done"?

—Annie Johnson Flint

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Continued from Page 1

There is a definite and growing need for trained Christian workers who can meet men and women of education on their own grounds, who need make no apologies for lack of academic standing, and who can speak from personal study rather than from hearsay concerning mooted questions. Let us be diligent about this task, using all those talents now at hand to give the Gospel, but at the same time preparing for a wider service if it so be that He tarry yet a while.



Margaret Ann McKinnon (Wil-
loughby, O.): "When I saw them
(Quartette) . . . it was as if we had
been parted for months . . . could not
but compare reunion with the re-
union with the Lord in the air—just
a taste of what that will be. Instead
of training in Cleveland I am afraid
it is to be Toronto, Canada. Ben
Stair is working in our shop."

Lola Goehring (*en route with sing-
ers*): "Certainly have had a wonder-
ful time . . . the thing that has drawn
us together is the time of devotions
we have each morning as we travel
. . . found same dresses we had or-
dered in Chattanooga . . . tonight
Laura Belle's folks came to the service

Martha Mailander (Oneonta, N.
Y.): "Arrived here at the home yes-
terday but do not begin official work
till August 1 . . . trust Lord will pros-
per the work this summer. I shall be
praying for Bryan . . . shall do all I
can to make school known and to give
it loyal support."

Anita Graham (Jacksonville, Fla.):
"Indeed, I would enjoy those concerts
about which you wrote. Surely do
like translation of Heb. 10:23 (Wey-
mouth) . . . way opened to me to talk
to two other girls about their souls
. . . desire your prayers."

Logan Rector (Alumnus): "My
earnest prayers for you . . . rest of
faculty, and the University that there
will be . . . ever increasing growth
. . . I do not have to tell you that
God has blessed me and my family
through Bryan U."

Dottie Bennett (Arlington, Va.):
"Have had some busy and exciting
times since I left school . . . have had
more interviews and filled in applica-
tions till I'm sick of it. The Lord has
been good to me . . . this job seems to
be a real good one."

Joe Sullivan (Vicksburg, Miss.):
"The Lord has certainly blessed . . .
have a job . . . and shall be able to
come again to Bryan . . . numerous
opportunities to testify for Him

Helen Harrison (Greenwood Hills,
Pa.): "Just over a rush . . . people
started to pour in . . . have had two
sittings each meal until today . . . 120
people first . . . wash dishes, fix salads,
etc., and set up again. Mr. Hill has
infected foot again, but feeling better
today. Mrs. Hill seems a lot better.
Calvin and Johnny Harper up for the
week-end."

If you would like your friends to
know where you are and something
of what you're doing there—send in
a few "splatters".